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Father Sentenced for Drowning Baby Daughter in Pasadena

A father convicted of killing his 1-year-old daughter in 2011 was sentenced today to 25 years to life in state prison, the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office announced.

Marquise Jackson, 26, of Lancaster was found guilty on July 20 of one count each of first-degree murder and child abuse resulting in death in case GA084095.

Deputy District Attorney Tamu Usher prosecuted the case.

According to the evidence presented at trial, Jackson drowned baby Mo'Nayjah Jackson at the apartment of the child's mother, in the 100 block of West Del Mar Boulevard in Pasadena, while the mother was at work on May 20, 2011.

The case was investigated by the Pasadena Police Department.

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